## Return of Identification Data

You may be eligible for the return of Identification Data if you meet the following conditions:

- ✓ You have not been convicted of any felony or gross misdemeanor within ten years preceding the arrest; and
- The charges were dismissed prior to a determination of probable cause; or the prosecuting authority declined to file any charges and a grand jury did not return and indictment.

Where these conditions are met, the Minneapolis Police Department, upon demand, will return to the subject of the arrest, finger and thumb prints, distinctive physical mark data, identification data and photographs.

This return covers only the data we control in the Minneapolis Police Department. Additional identification data may exist elsewhere within other criminal justice jurisdictions.

#### Still need help?

Please see our Expungement Information website at www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us

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# Criminal Record Expungements

A Guide to Getting Started



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#### **Expungements**

An Expungement is a court order sealing criminal records and prohibiting the disclosure of their existence or their opening except under court order or statutory authority.

The Expungement process is explained in Minnesota Statutes 609A.01 to 609A.03. These statutes can be found at <a href="http://www.leg.state.mn.us/">http://www.leg.state.mn.us/</a>

What kinds of criminal records are eligible for expungement?

- ☐ Certain controlled substance offenses where the proceedings were dismissed or have been discharged.
- ☐ Certain Convictions resulting from an adult prosecution of a juvenile.
- ☐ Certain criminal proceedings not resulting in a conviction.

How do I start?

Obtain the Expungement
Packet from the Government
Center, your local courthouse,
or online at

www.mncourts.gov

(click on Self Service, and then on the Expungements link). There is also a helpful video to guide your way.



This pamphlet is not meant to be legal advice. Should you have any specific questions regarding expungement, please seek out the advice of a licensed attorney.